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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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For: Composite Fibrous Substrates Having )  
Carbohydrate Sheaths )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The present paper is submitted as a Preliminary Amendment to correct the priority information for this application. In addition to the amendment to the specification discussed herein, this Preliminary Amendment is forwarded with a Supplemental ADS, also reflecting the corrected priority information.

Please amend the application by amending the first paragraph on page 1 of the specification, as indicated in the complete listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Specification** is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.